

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF: Mark L. LAWRENCE et al. ART UNIT: 1645
SERIAL NO.: 10/767,441 EXAMINER: Nita M. Minnifield
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FOR: USE OF NOVEL VIRULENCE-SPECIFIC GENES AS TARGETS FOR
DIAGNOSIS AND POTENTIAL CONTROL OF VIRULENT STRAINS
OF *LISTERIA MONOCYTOGENES*

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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SIR:

In response to the Requirement for Restriction mailed September 28, 2006, Applicants elect, with traverse, Group I, Claims 1-14 drawn to an isolated gene and primer/probe, classified in class 536, subclass 23.1.